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(U) Oakland - Two People Killed in Oakland near Mosque, Woman Killed in Separate Shooting

(U) Oakland police are investigating two evening shootings in which two men were killed in an area right around the corner from a mosque, where they had been praying. A third person died in a separate shooting less than an hour later in what appears to be an unrelated event. Police and firefighters assisted on scene at the first shooting, but later pronounced the men dead at the scene. A third victim drove himself to the hospital and is suspected to survive. The woman at the separate shooting also died on scene. No arrests have been made and an investigation is ongoing. The shootings combined for the 90th homicide in Oakland this year.

SOURCE: 20 September 2022, Fox KTVU

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Texas – Border Patrol Officers Seize over \$113K in Heroin in Enforcement Action

(U) Eagle Pass – Border Patrol agents seized heroin that totaled over \$113K in street value in one enforcement action near the Camino Real International Bridge. During the incident, a vehicle hauling a trailer was referred to a secondary examination. During the inspection, agents discovered nine packages containing a total of 5.95 pounds of alleged heroin concealed with a stainless-steel burner. The narcotics had an estimated street value of \$113k. The driver was arrested with Border Patrol agents seizing the narcotics and vehicle.

SOURCE: 19 September 2022, US CBP Press Release

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(U) Florida – Coast Guard Repatriates 78 People to Cuba

(U) Miami – A Coast Guard crew repatriated 78 Cubans to Cuba following several interdictions off Cuba, Bahamas, and Florida's coast. Through a combination of good Samaritan notifications and regular patrols, the Coast Guard interdicted the 78 migrants on five separate vessels. Once aboard a Coast Guard cutter, all migrants receive food, water, shelter, and basic medical attention. Since 1 October 2021, Coast Guard crews have interdicted 5,689 Cubans, which his higher than at any point since 2015. SOURCE: 19 September 2022, Coast Guard News

(U) Minnesota – Suspect Charged with Threatening to Kill US Senator

(U) Elk River – A federal grand jury has indicted a Minnesota man accused of threatening to kill a US Senator. The suspect is being held in the Sherburne County Jail on charges of threatening to murder a US official and interstate transmission of a threat. Court records do not identify the senator other than to say it's not a Minnesota senator who was threatened. The suspect left two threatening voicemail messages at the senator's field office in June.

SOURCE: 19 September 2022, CBS News

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(U) New Mexico - Four Randomly Stabbed in Albuquerque, Suspect Arrested

(U) Albuquerque – A suspect has been arrested after allegedly stabbing and wounding four people in Albuquerque in apparent random acts. Three people were stabbed downtown, while another was stabbed further away. The suspect was apprehended and in possession of a kitchen knife with a serrated blade. One of the wounded was a 16-year-old boy, but police advised all four victims were being treated at hospitals and expected to survive. Investigators are reviewing footage from video cameras inside city buses as they gather more evidence in the case. An investigation is ongoing.

SOURCE: 20 September 2022, <u>US News</u>

(U) Rhode Island - Cumberland Drug Bust Results in Largest Fake Adderall Pill Seizure Ever

(U) Cumberland – Federal drug enforcement authorities have arrested a Cumberland man and seized 660,500 fake Adderall pills in what the regional US Attorney called the "single largest seizure" of its kind in the United States. The suspect agreed to plead guilty to possession with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine in connection to the massive bust. Officials advise the drugs seized by federal drug enforcement agents are worth an estimated \$4.6 million. Also found in the search were two pill presses capable of pressing more than 5k pills per hour, as part of what authorities called and "industrial-scale" drug-making operation. Officials said the meth came from Mexico.

SOURCE: 19 September 2022, WBSM News

(U) Texas – Gunman Shoots Three at Texas Fair before Being Shot by Deputies

(U) Amarillo – A gunman shot three people, including two first responders at the Tri-State Fair and Rodeo in Texas, before he was shot and wounded by sheriff's deputies. Investigators said the suspect opened fire on Potter County deputies working off-duty at the fair in Amarillo, striking a deputy, an off-duty firefighter, and a bystander. Deputies returned fire, wounding the suspect. The victims were transported to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. The gunman was taken to the hospital with injuries described as life-threatening. Authorities did not offer a motive for the shooting currently as an investigation by the Texas Rangers is underway.

SOURCE: 20 September 2022, Washington Times

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(U) Austria – Six Men Face Trial over Links to Gunman in 2020 Vienna Attack

(U) Vienna – Six men with alleged links to a sympathizer of the Islamic State group who carried out a deadly shooting in Vienna in 2020 will go on trial next month. Four people were killed in the attack and the gunman also died. More than 20 other people, including a police officer, were wounded in the attack. The six men who are now scheduled to go on trial aren't accused of direct participation in the attack, but allegedly helped or influenced the shooter as he prepared for the shooting. The defendants face charges that include participation in terrorist crimes and membership in a terrorist organization. SOURCE: 19 September 2022, ABC News

(U) Somalia – Government Forces Kill 75 al-Shabaab Militants in Central Region

(U) Mogadishu – Somali National Army forces killed 75 al-Shabaab militants during an operation conducted in the Hiran region of central Somalia. The latest move came after the government forces killed 43 militants in an operation that took place a few days prior. The operation was still underway to flush out the terrorist who have engaged the government in near-daily attacks. Officials state at least

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200 al-Shabaab militants have been killed, a hundred others severely wounded while scores were arrested pending an investigation during operations in the past two weeks. Forces have intensified military operation into territory formerly controlled by al-Shabaab after driving the insurgents out of Mogadishu in 2011.

SOURCE: 19 September 2022, Xinhua News

(U) Switzerland – Swiss Court Convicts Woman of Stabbing Attack, IS Ties

(U) Geneva – Switzerland's federal criminal court convicted a Swiss-Italian woman of attempted murder and ties to the banned radical group Islamic State over the stabbing of two women in a department store. The woman was handed a nine-year prison sentence. After the attack, the suspect was quickly detained and the two women who were attacked survived. In its ruling, the court said the attacker had used a knife to try to decapitate the victims "while praising ISIS" in a premeditated way. The attack was a rare instance of violence linked to radical Islamic extremism in Switzerland, which was largely spared the wave of such violence that has hit other countries in Europe and around the world over the past two decades.

SOURCE: 19 September 2022, ABC News

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